H. R. 3757

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IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

FEBRUARY 1, 1994

Mr. Minge (for himself, Mr. Johnson of South Dakota, Mr. Grandy, Mr. Roberts, Mr. Hoagland, Mr. Peterson of Minnesota, Mr. Obey, Mr. Costello, Mr. Skelton, Mr. Emerson, Ms. Danner, Mr. Leach, Mr. Glickman, Mr. Bereuter, Mr. Barrett of Nebraska, Mr. Pomeroy, Mr. Slattery, Mr. Manzullo, Mr. Ewing, Mr. Evans, Mr. Lightfoot, Ms. Long, Mr. de la Garza, and Mr. Nussle) introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on Ways and Means

A BILL

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- 1 Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representa-
- 2 tives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,
- 3 SECTION 1. SPECIAL RULE FOR CROP INSURANCE PRO-
- 4 CEEDS AND DISASTER PAYMENTS.
- 5 (a) IN GENERAL.—Section 451(d) of the Internal
- 6 Revenue Code of 1986 (relating to special rule for crop

- 1 insurance proceeds and disaster payments) is amended to 2 read as follows:
- 3 "(d) Special Rule for Crop Insurance Pro-
- 4 CEEDS AND DISASTER PAYMENTS.—

- "(1) GENERAL RULE.—In the case of any payment described in paragraph (2), a taxpayer reporting on the cash receipts and disbursements method of accounting—
 - "(A) may elect to treat any such payment received in the taxable year of destruction or damage of crops as having been received in the following taxable year if the taxpayer establishes that, under the taxpayer's practice, income from such crops involved would have been reported in the following taxable year, or
 - "(B) may elect to treat any such payment received in the taxable year following the taxable year of destruction or damage of crops as having been received in the taxable year of destruction or damage if the taxpayer establishes that, under the taxpayer's practice, income from such crops involved would have been reported in the taxable year of destruction or damage.

1	"(2) Payments described.—For purposes of
2	this subsection, a payment is described in this para-
3	graph if such payment—
4	"(A) is insurance proceeds received on ac-
5	count of destruction or damage to crops, or
6	"(B) is disaster assistance received under
7	any Federal law as a result of—
8	"(i) destruction or damage to crops
9	caused by drought, flood, or other natural
10	disaster, or
11	"(ii) inability to plant crops because
12	of such a disaster."
13	(b) Effective Date.—The amendment made by
14	this section applies to payments received after December
15	31, 1992, as a result of destruction or damage occurring
16	after such date.

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